CITY OF CABOT, ARKANSAS Council Meeting Minutes March 30, 2020

In response to the 2020 COVID-19 outbreak and restrictions placed on social distancing by the Centers for Disease Control, the City of Cabot moved the monthly Council Meeting to the Veterans Park Event Center, 508 N Lincoln, as advertised. This allowed for ten feet of spacing between chairs as suggested. The meeting was both open to the public and an online meeting with video through the web-based video conferencing tool Zoom. The City experienced technical difficulties and City Clerk/Treasurer Tammy Yocom could not be heard by those attending via Zoom. Because of this, Mayor Kincade read the legislation so that it was heard by all. The City experienced further technical difficulties during the meeting and was unable to broadcast live through Facebook Live. However, the combined Zoom/public

Call to Order

meeting continued until adjourned.

Mayor Ken Kincade called to order the regular meeting of the Cabot City Council at 7:00 p.m. on March 30, 2020 (postponed from 3/15/2020) in the Veterans Park Event Center. The opening prayer was given and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kincade.

Roll Call

A roll call was conducted. The following Council Members were present: Ronald Waymack and Doug Warner attended the meeting in person. Council Members Damon Bivins, Norma Naquin, James Reid, Matt Webber, Kevin Davis and Ed Long all attended the meeting via Zoom. Also in attendance were City Attorney Ben Hooper, City Clerk & Treasurer Tammy Yocom and IT Director Roger Self. One member of the public, Mr. Tim Lemons, was also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting and Other Matters

The minutes of the December 10, 2019 Special Council Meeting were approved with a motion by Ms. Naquin and second by Mr. Warner. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

The minutes of the January 27, 2020 Regular Council Meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Warner and second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

The minutes of the February 24, 2020 Regular Council Meeting were approved with a motion by Mr. Warner and second by Mr. Bivins. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

Motion to read legislation by title only by Mr. Warner, second by Mr. Waymack. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

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OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: ORDINANCE NO. 6 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL; REPEALING CONFLICTING CODE, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Motion by Mr. Warner to suspend the second and third readings, second by Mr. Davis. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote. Motion to adopt by Ms. Naquin, second by Mr. Bivins. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote. Motion to adopt the Emergency Clause by Mr. Warner, second by Mr. Reid. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 7 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE NE ¼ OF SECTION 13, T-4-N, R-10-W, (ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE TOKYO ADDITION) CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FROM R-1 TO R-4M; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Discussion. It was determined the Council would like more information, specifically ARDOT's plan regarding a permit. Motion to table by Mr. Long, second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2821 HIGHWAY 367 SOUTH, CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS FROM C-2 TO C-3; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Mr. Tim Lemons, of Lemons Engineering, addressed the Council and explained his client has recently been notified by ARDOT that he would need to relocate from his Jacksonville location. His client desires to move to Cabot and must do so expeditiously. Discussion. Motion to suspend second and third readings by Mr. Long, second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote. Motion to adopt by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Warner. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 9 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE TWO ACRES OF LAND LOCATED NEXT TO CENTENNIAL BANK WITH CAMPGROUND FRONTAGE IN THE CITY OF CABOT, LONOKE COUNTY, ARKANSAS, FROM R-1 TO 0-1; AMENDING THE LAND USE PLAN; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Discussion. Mr. Warner requested the rezone applicant amend their request to reflect the zone the Planning Commission determined would be in their best interest. Laura Nobles acknowledged his request and explained the Planning Commission meeting minutes accurately reflect the history of this request. No action.

It was announced the Facebook Live portion of the meeting was not broadcasting properly. Discussion. City Attorney Ben Hooper approved continuing the meeting since it was open to the public even though it was not broadcasting live to the public.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 OF 2020 – ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CABOT, ARKANSAS AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1-1963 TO CHANGE THE ANNUAL PAYMENT RECEIVED FROM TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR USE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAYS was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. First reading. No action.

ORDINANCE NO. 11 OF 2020 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 4-1978, TO CHANGE THE FRANCHISE FEE ASSESSED FROM \$2.00 PER METER TO 4.25% OF THE GROSS ANNUAL REVENUES COLLECTED AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. First reading. No action.

RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT GREG JONES TO POSITION 5 OF THE CABOT ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION COMMISSION was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Motion to adopt by Mr. Warner, second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE EDDIE LONG, WARD 1 POSITION 1 COUNCIL MEMBER AS PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE FOR THE CABOT CITY COUNCIL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Motion to adopt by Mr. Davis, second by Ms. Naquin. Motion passed by a Roll Call Vote of 7-0-1. Mr. Long abstained from voting.

RESOLUTION NO. 12 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A MURAL PROJECT BY UNITY HEALTH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Motion to adopt by Mr. Davis, second by Mr. Bivins. Discussion. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 13 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A MURAL PROJECT BY CABOT FOUNDATION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Discussion. No council member voiced a motion for adoption of this resolution. However, a Roll Call Vote was taken and all voted yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 14 OF 2020 – A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE MAYOR SUSPENDING ENFORCEMENT OF CERTAIN ZONING REQUIREMENTS AND OTHER RELATED REGULATIONS was read by Mayor Ken Kincade. Motion to adopt by Ms. Naquin, second by Mr. Waymack. Discussion. Motion passed unanimously by a Roll Call Vote.

Community Input: None

<u>Council Member Input</u>: Discussion. It was determined the Mayor, using his executive authority, would temporarily suspend the collection of business license fees for both new applicants and renewals, allow for signage supporting Shop Local, and lift zoning codes on chickens. These Executive Orders will be in the form of legislation for adoption during the next City Council Meeting. No one voiced opposition to these ideas.

Council Member Davis announced the Community and Economic Development quarterly report due from the Chamber of Commerce will go out via email. Subsequently, he did not have anything for his committee to meet about on April 6th.

Mayor Input: None

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

We, the undersigned Mayor and City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Cabot, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct record of the proceedings of the City of Cabot Regular Council Meeting held on Monday, March 30, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Kenneth C. Klincade, Mayor

Tammy Yocom, City Clerk & Treasurer